



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: December 4, 2012

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Mattress Collection and Recycling Program**

Recommendation:

Receive and file Mattress Collection and Recycling report.

Previous Directives:

On June 29, 2012, approval for proper city officials to execute a Mattress Collection and Recycling Agreement between Project for Pride in Living (PPL) and the City of Minneapolis for a three year term, with the option to extend the contract, on an annual basis, for two additional years.

Staff directed to return to T&PW Committee in December 2012 with a report analyzing the operation and costs of the Mattress Collection and Recycling Program, summarizing how the new method has worked from pick up through storage and processing, and determining whether there are certain addresses that can be identified as heavy users of the service and investigating the possibility of charging for that service.

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Reviews Not Applicable

Financial Impact
No financial impact

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification:
City Goals: Eco Focused
Comprehensive Plan:
Zoning Code:

Background/Supporting Information

In late 2011, Hennepin County informed Solid Waste and Recycling that they wanted to divert all mattresses from their HERC facility. The County also stated that their funding of the mattress recycling pilot would be ending in July of 2012.

Public Works issued a Request for Proposal for Mattress Collection and Recycling Services in March 2012 and only one proposal was received, from Project for Pride in Living (PPL). A contract was executed with PPL in July, 2012 and since that time all mattresses from our residential customers have been diverted to PPL for processing.

Public Works staff will report to the Committee regarding:

- The operation and costs of the Mattress Collection and Recycling Program
- Explaining how the new method has worked from pick up through storage and processing
- Whether certain addresses can be identified as heavy users of the service
- On the possibility of charging heavy users for mattress collection services.